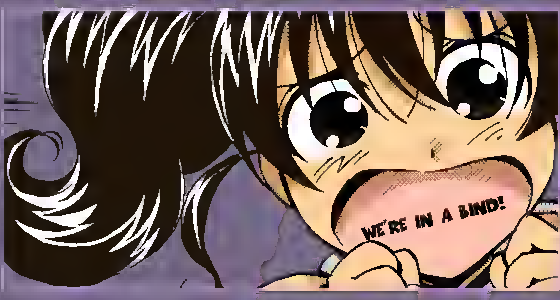

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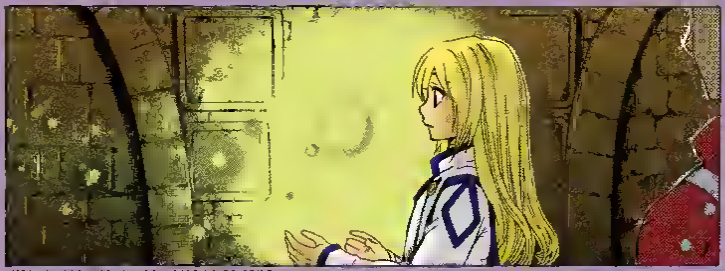

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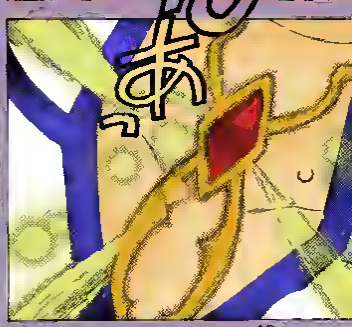

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The place I must return to

!!
A DIRTY KID LIKE THIS, HOW CAN YOU BE FROM THE DUKE'S MANOR?!
KIDS THESE DAYS SURE ARE TROUBLESOME,
HOW SNEAKY CAN THEY BE?
WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO HELP KIDS WHO RUN AWAY FROM HOME...

GET IT?!
GUH!!
HOW ABOUT NEXT TIME, YOU BRING YOUR GREAT MOM AND DAD WITH YOU SO YOU WON'T GET HURT, OKAY?
YOUNG MASTER, YOU SAID YOU WERE MASTER LUKE, DIDN'T YOU?
WAHA HAHA HAHA HA
HEY, HEY. DON'T BE SO ROUGH, OKAY?
WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING TO DO IF SOMETHING HAPPENS TO THE DUKE'S PRECIOUS YOUNG MASTER?
OH YEAH! WE CAN'T DO THAT, CAN WE?

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I HAVE TO GET BACK...
EVERYONE IN THE MANOR IS WAITING FOR ME...

IS IT REALLY OKAY TO LET THAT KID DO AS HE PLEASES?
RIGHT, COMMANDANT?
TO BE ABLE TO ESCAPE FROM BELOW THE CATHEDRAL AT HIS AGE IS ALREADY QUITE IMPRESSIVE.
HE PROBABLY THINKS HE CAN LEAVE BY HIMSELF WITHOUT US KNOWING, DOESN'T HE?
HA! THOSE LOW RANKING SOLDIERS ARE USELESS, THAT'S ALL.
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MASTER VAN, PLEASE TEACH ME TODAY AS WELL!
ALL RIGHT.

LUKE,
ONE DAY, YOU WILL BECOME THE KING OF THIS COUNTRY.
IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO LEAD THE PEOPLE, YOU MUST STUDY HARD AND WELL.
IF YOU CAN'T BE AN OUTSTANDING KING, IT WILL BE A LOT OF TROUBLE, LUKE.
WE'RE TO MARRY WHEN WE GROW UP, OKAY?
EVEN...
YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE TO SAY IT, I UNDERSTAND ALREADY!
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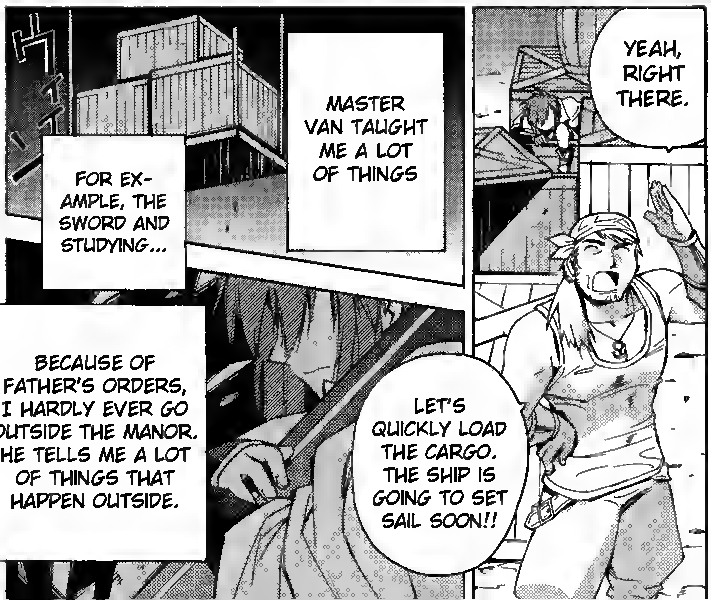
IF IT'S LUKE, HE WILL SURELY BECOME A GREAT KING.
I CAN ASSURE YOU OF THAT.
MASTER VAN...

MASTER VAN IS BOTH VERY STRICT AND VERY KIND. A SUPERB TEACHER.


MASTER VAN TAUGHT ME A LOT OF THINGS
FOR EX-AMPLE, THE SWORD AND STUDYING...
BECAUSE OF FATHER'S ORDERS, I HARDLY EVER GO OUTSIDE THE MANOR. HE TELLS ME A LOT OF THINGS THAT HAPPEN OUTSIDE.
YEAH, RIGHT THERE.
LET'S QUICKLY LOAD THE CARGO. THE SHIP IS GOING TO SET SAIL SOON!!

LUKE...THERE ARE MANY MORE THINGS YOU HAVE TO KNOW ABOUT THIS WORLD...
NOT REALLY, I KNOW THAT YOU'RE ALREADY TRYING HARD.
I ALREADY KNOW THAT! YOU'VE ALREADY TOLD ME THAT I HAVEN'T PRACTICED ENOUGH YET, HAVEN'T YOU?
BECAUSE YOU ARE THE CHOSEN ONE.
BUT YOU STILL CAN GROW A LOT MORE...
HUH?

"THE ONE WHO WAS CHOSEN TO BECOME THE KING OF KIMLASCA".

THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT HE MEANT BACK THEN...

BUT SOON AFTER THAT, I LEARNED THAT IT WAS NOT WHAT HE MEANT.

MASTER VAN!! WHY?!
WHERE IS THIS PLACE?! LET ME GO!
EXPERIMENTS I NEVER KNEW OF DONE REPEATEDLY IN A PLACE I KNEW NOTHING ABOUT, NOT KNOWING EVEN DAY AND NIGHT...
LIVING CAGED IN A NARROW UNDERGROUND PRISON THAT I NEVER EVEN IMAGINED OF UP UNTIL THEN.
I EVEN THOUGHT THAT IT WOULD CONTINUE LIKE THAT ENDLESSLY.
Hup
Hup

...MASTER...
HELP ME...
LUKE...I'M SORRY...I WANT YOU TO UNDERSTAND.
I DON'T UNDERSTAND, MASTER...
UP UNTIL NOW...IN ORDER TO BECOME THE KING OF KIMLASCA,
I HAVE TO RETURN
I HAVE TO RETURN
I HAVE TO RETURN
FOR THE SAKE OF THE WORLD, YOUR POWER IS NEEDED.
I'VE...TRIED MY BEST...
EVERYONE AT THE MANOR IS WORRYING ABOUT ME.

I CAN'T LIVE IN A PLACE LIKE THIS!!

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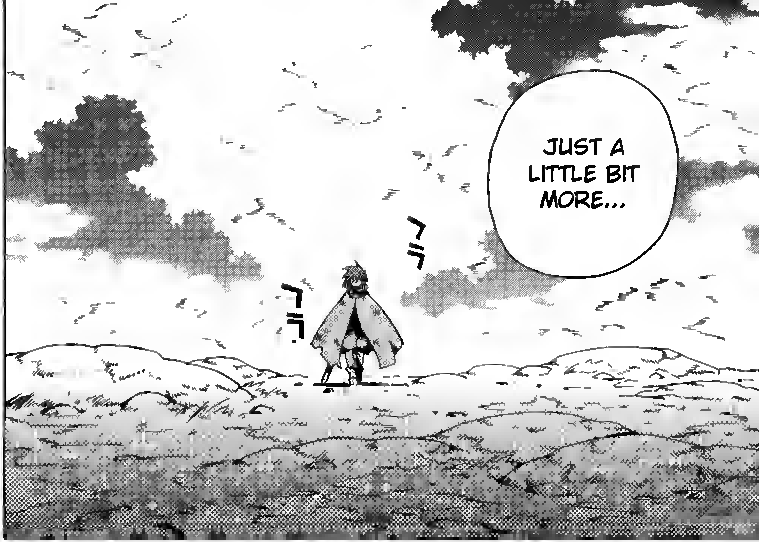
THIS DAMN KID JUST CAME ABOARD OUR SHIP BY HIMSELF!!
CAPTAIN, PLEASE STOP BEING SO ROUGH WITH THE CHILD.
YOU'RE GOING TO GET US INTO TROUBLE FOR LETTING A KID CROSS COUNTRIES.
I'LL SEND YOU TO AN OFFICER RIGHT NOW. LET HIM DEAL WITH YOU-
OUCH!!
AH!! YOU WAIT THERE YOU DAMN KID! DAMN YOU!!


JUST A LITTLE BIT MORE...

I'VE GOT TO GET THROUGH THIS MARSH... TO BATICUL...
I HAVE TO GO BACK I HAVE TO GO BACK
BACK TO THE MANOR IN BATICUL.
EVERYONE IS WAITING FOR ME. AT THAT MANOR...

JUST GIVE UP,
WE'VE ALREADY MADE A REPLACEMENT FOR YOU.
IT'S NO USE TO GO BACK TO THE MANOR.
LIES...
IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE YOU.
WE NO LONGER NEED YOU.
IT'S A LIE!
TO THEM, YOU ARE NO LONGER OF ANY USE.
IT HAS TO BE A LIE!! IF NOT, THEN...!!
NO LONGER NEED...

LUKE,
WHEN WE GREW UP, WE'LL MARRY EACH OTHER,
WE'LL BECOME THE KING AND THE QUEEN!
LET'S MAKE THIS COUNTRY A GREAT PLACE TOGETHER.
IF IT'S US, WE CAN DO IT FOR SURE.
RIGHT, LUKE!

MONSTER: GRRRRR... // KRRRRRRRRR

I MUST GO BA- AAAA- AAAA- AACK!

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MONSTER: GIGIGIIII

HA
I WILL DEFINITELY GO BACK...
GO BACK...
HA
GO BACK!!
HA
BACK TO THE PLACE WHERE EVERYONE IS WAITING.
HA...
BACK TO THE PLACE THAT IS TRULY MINE!!!

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I'VE FINALLY COME BACK.
ONLY A LITTLE BIT MORE...
IF I CAN GET BACK TO THE MANOR IN BATICUL,
EVERY-THING WILL RETURN TO NORMAL.
RIGHT, BACK TO NO-RMAL...
EVERYTHING WILL GO BACK TO NORMAL!!

MASTER LUKE!!
MASTER LUKE, I TOLD YOU THAT RUNNING FAST LIKE THAT IS DANGEROUS!
AH!!

AH, MASTER LUKE, PLEASE DON'T CRY.
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ARE YOU HURT?!
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じたばた
THE PAIN WILL GO AWAY! PLEASE, MASTER LUKE.
WHAT A PAIN LUKE IS NOW.
YES...TO LOSE ALL OF HIS MEMORIES UP UNTIL NOW...
WHAT A PAIN...WHAT I TAUGHT HIM IN ORDER TO BE A KING, THE SWORD LESSONS, GONE...
あー!
EVEN HOW TO SPEAK, HE FORGOT EVERYTHING.
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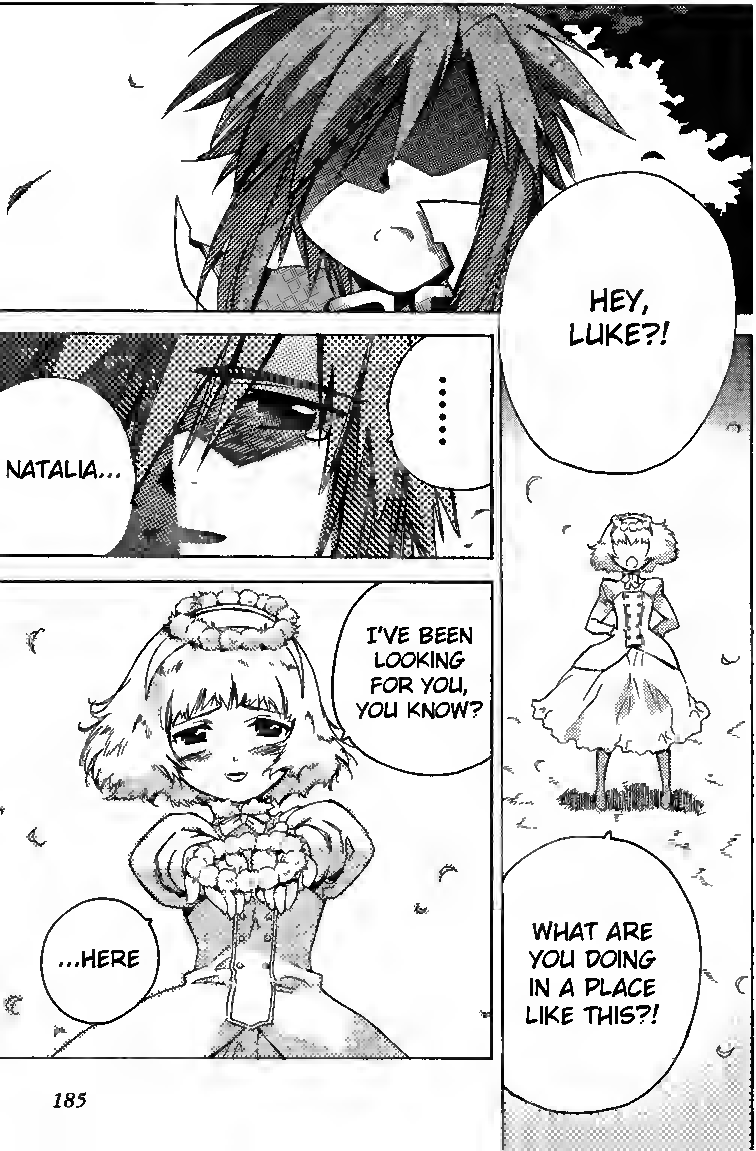
YOUR BODY IS COLD, MASTER LUKE.

AAH—
AH?
AH!!
THIS IS QUITE A PROBLEM... HIS BODY IS THIS BIG ALREADY. HE'S NOT A BABY, IS HE?
ISN'T THIS GOOD ALREADY?
LUKE RETURNED SAFELY, AFTER ALL.


HEY, LUKE?!
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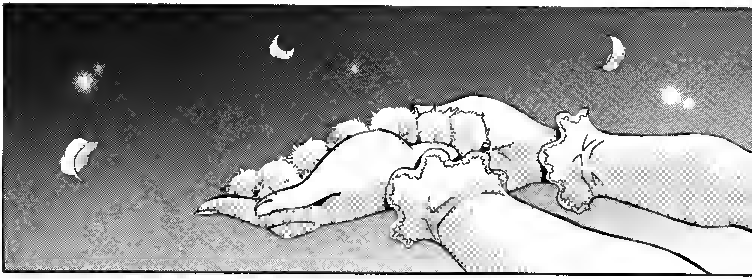
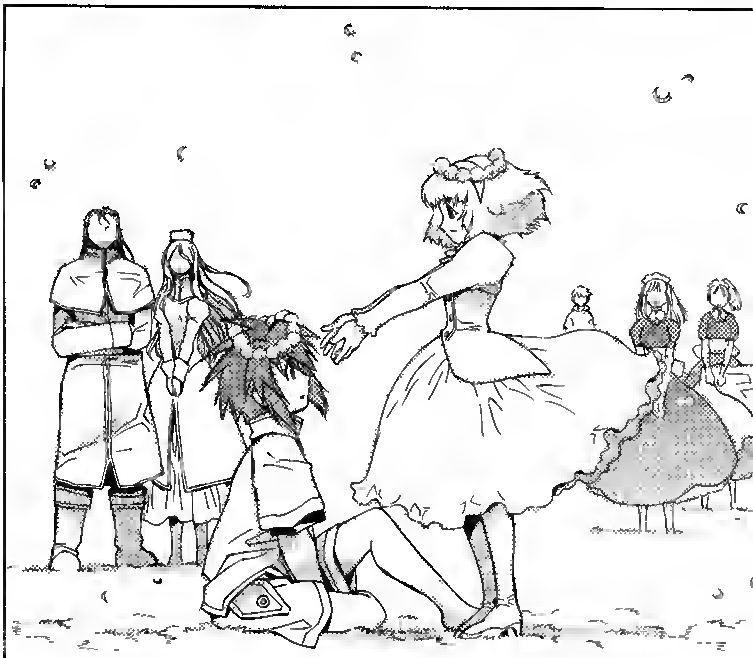
NATALIA...
I'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU, YOU KNOW?
...HERE
WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?!





EVEN IF IT ISN'T ME,

IT'S FINE.

NOW YOU UNDERSTAND THE TRUTH, RIGHT, LUKE?
THEIR SELF-ISHNESS...THEIR STUPIDITY...
THEY JUST SAY THAT YOU ARE AN IMPORTANT PERSON TO THIS COUNTRY,
BUT THEY'RE ALL LIES.
EVEN WHEN SOMEONE JUST GOES AND REPLACES YOU, THEY DON'T EVEN QUESTION IT...

I AM DIFFERENT.
LUKE,
PLEASE FORGIVE ME FOR LEAVING YOU WITH SUCH HORRIBLE MEMORIES.
TO ME, YOU, AND ONLY YOU, ARE AN IMPORTANT PERSON.
IF YOU ARE NOT WITH ME, I WOULD LOSE ALL MY PURPOSE.
CAN YOU COME WITH ME ONCE AGAIN?
I WANT TO BE TOGETHER WITH YOU.

UWAAAH

YOU ARE NO LONGER LUKE FON FABRE,
I WILL GIVE YOU A NEW NAME.

"ASCH"
FROM NOW ON, YOU ARE "ASCH THE BLOODY"

ASCH
MY NEW NAME...
LET'S GO.
YEAH...
MY NEW PLACE
IF MASTER VAN IS BESIDE ME, I HAVE NOTHING TO BE AFRAID OF.
YES SIR!!
I WILL LIVE ON.

I WILL LIVE MY LIFE AS A NEW PERSON.
END

あとがき

今回 巻末に収録されている アッシュ外伝は、
約1年前に 描かせたものです。この外伝を
描いた当時は まだコミックス収録するのかどうか、
するならいつどんな形になるのか 全然 決まっていま
せんでした。それが今こうして 3冊が完成してみると、
不思議なことに「そうエルの主人公」について 語るうえで
なくてはならない以外には考えられない タイミングで
あることに おどろいています。
「アビス」に関しては、意図せずとも
気づくと物事が「これしかない」位置にくるまっていた
という経験がたくさんあったりします。

そんなわけで、ついに 九つが勢揃い!!
物語の大きな転機へと ようやく辿り着きました。
加速していく彼らの冒険を これからも一緒に
見守っていただければな幸いです!

...IAL THANKS!!
「ファイス オブ アビス」 ... 吉村信さま
「ファイス オブ アビス」 ... イラ 実物原画ラッキー
「ファイス オブ アビス」開始までの皆さま
原画担当」 ま 「電撃大王」編集部の皆さま
私の周囲の大事な人たち
そして この本を読んで下さった みなさん。